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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present Amendment and Remarks are in response to the final Office Action mailed on July 31, 2006. Claims 1-31 are pending in the present patent application. Claims 1-11, 13-16, 18 and 25-31 stand rejected. Claims 12, 17, and 19-24 have been objected to by the Examiner as being drawn to allowable subject matter, but depending from a rejected base claim.

The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-11, 13-16, 18, and 25-31 without prejudice. The Applicant intends to pursue these claims in a future, related application. Claims 12, 17, and 19 have been amended to incorporate the subject matter of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Summary

In summary, the applicants submit that the present application is now in condition for allowance.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the present Amendment and Remarks. However, if it is determined that fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 503342, maintained by the Applicants' attorney.

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